MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The information asked for is not available.

Indebtedness of the Travancore Ryot.

37. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Are the Government in possession of information which might indicate, at least roughly, the extent of indebtedness of the Travancore ryot, both personal and mortgaged ?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*) : The answer is in the negative.

Women Graduates in the Education Department.

38. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of women graduates now employed in the Education Department ;

(*b*) the number of Hindus among them ;

(*c*) whether the first lady from the Nanjinad Vellala community who has passed the B. A. (Hons.) degree examination has applied for any post ; and

(*d*) if so, what has been done with that application ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*)	Permanent	24
	Acting	6
(*b*)	Permanent	5
	Acting	2

(*c*) The Director of Public Instruction reports that applications have been received by him from one Srimati P. S. Chellamma, B. A. (Hons.) who belongs to the Nanjinad Vellala community for a post either in His Highness the Maha Raja's College for Women or in a Departmental Girls' English School.

(*d*) The Director of Public Instruction reports that the applications have been registered and that they will receive considertaion when vacancies arise. He adds that her appointment in a Girls' English School, however, can be thought of only after the women graduates who have acted and are now without employment have been provided for.

Grant to Vellore Missionary Medical School.

39. **MR. K. MADHAVAN PILLAI** (*Trivandrum* cum *Neduvangad*) : With reference to the capitation grant of Rs. 500 made to the Missionary Medical School at Vellore, will the Government be pleased to state why this school was selected for grant in preference to the Government medical institutions in the Presidency of Madras ?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*) : This school was chosen in view of the fact that a number of students from Travancore are studying in that institution. Until the close of the official year 1924-25, the Madras Government made to the school a capitation grant

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